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1. MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT HENK HERRENBERG, OF THE SURINAME SOCIALIST PARTY (PART OF THE PARLIAMENTARY OPPOSITION), HAS CONTINUED TO AIR PUBLICLY THE MATTER OF POSSIBLE QUESTIONABLE PAYMENTS BY REYNOLDS IN SURINAME. JULY 20 EDITION OF THE LOCAL DAILY "DE WARE TIJD" STATED THAT HERRENBERG PLANNED TO CONTACT THE "FOREIGN EXCHANGE AND INVESTMENT COMMITTEE OF THE U.S. SENATE" THROUGH A "CONSULTING FIRM" WHILE VISITING FRIENDS IN THE U.S. THIS SUMMER. THE ARTICLE ADDED THAT HERRENBERG ALSO HOPED TO MEET WITH JOURNALIST STEVE LONG, WHO WROTE A STORY ABOUT THE REYNOLDS PAYMENTS IN THE MARCH EDITION OF THE "AMERICAN METAL MARKET."

2. JULY 28 EDITION OF "DE WARE TIJD" CARRIED AN ARTICLE STATING THAT HERRENBERG HAD RETURNED TO SURINAME, HAVING MET WITH THE "AMERICAN CONSULTING BUREAU" IN THE U.S. THERE WAS NO MENTION OF ANY CONTACT WITH THE U.S. SENATE OR JOURNALIST STEVE LONG. HERRENBERG REPORTEDLY DID NOT DIVULGE ANY MORE DETAILS ABOUT THE QUESTIONABLE PAYMENTS, BUT CALLED FOR OFFICIAL INVESTIGATIONS BY A PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE, AND SAID HE WOULD ADDRESS QUESTIONS ON THE
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MATTER TO THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND POLICE.

3. AUGUST 3 EDITION OF "DE WARE TIJD" REPORTED THAT HERRENBERG HAD SUBMITTED A REQUEST IN WRITING TO THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND POLICE THAT THE GOS UNDERTAKE AN OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION WHICH WOULD INCLUDE A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FROM THE U.S. SENATE.

4. SO FAR THERE HAS BEEN NO PUBLIC REACTION FROM THE
MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND POLICE OR ANY OTHER GOS OFFICIAL ON
THIS MATTER. THERE IS ALSO NO INDICATION THAT THE PARLIAMENT
IS HEEDING HERRENBERG'S CALL FOR AN INVESTIGATION.
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